GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Roads & Buildings – NH Circle, Anantapur – R & B NH Division, Chittoor – "IRQP from Km. 0/0 to 3/245 and Km.20/0 to 27/0 of NH 219 (New NH 42) in the State of Andhra Pradesh" – Work entrusted to M/s PLR Projects Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad – Certain irregularities committed – Blacklisting the contractor in terms of G.O.Ms.No.94, I & CAD (PW-COD) Dept. – Orders – Issued.

TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (ROADS-V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 73 Dated: 16-12-2016

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.94, Irrigation & CAD ((PW-COD) Department, Dated: 01.07.2003.
2. From the Chief Engineer, (R&B), NH & CRF., Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada Letter No.219/IRQO 2015-16/EE NH & CRF/DEE4/AEE1/2015, Dated: 07.12.2016.

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O R D E R :-

In the letter 2nd read above, the Chief Engineer, (R&B), National Highways & CRF., Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada has stated that the subject work "IRQP from Km. 0/0 to 3/245 and Km.20/0 to 27/0 of NH 219 (New NH 42) in the State of Andhra Pradesh" was sanctioned by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highway (MoRTH), GoI on NH 219 on 8.9.2015 for an amount of Rs.1135.61 Lakhs. The work was put to tender and after due process, the bid of M/s. PLR Projects Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad was accepted and the same was communicated to the Superintending Engineer, R&B, NH Circle, Ananthapur vide their Memo dt.8.12.2015 for concluding agreement after due verifications by him. The Superintending Engineer, National Highways, Ananthapur has reported that the Contractor, M/s. PLR Projects, Hyderabad has entered into agreement on 30.12.2015 and the site was handed over to him on the same day. After concluding the agreement the contractor has to follow procedures before proceeding with the work. However from the reports submitted by the Executive Engineer, R&B, NH Division, Chittoor vide his lr. Dt.29.12.2015, it is evident that some work was carried out by the contractor before concluding the agreement, which is against the agreement conditions and codal rules. Further as per reports, the field officers were not present at the time of execution and hence no information is available regarding the use of machinery utilized for execution of the work. The Superintending Engineer has also reported that a news item has appeared in the Chittoor edition of Eenadu news paper dt.02.01.2016 that the work was carried out before concluding the agreement, proper equipment was not used, proper quality was not observed and without proper involvement of NH Officials.

2. The matter was reported to the Engineer-in-Chief, R&B, Admn & SR and it was requested to examine the above matter and request the Quality Control Wing to make a detailed enquiry and submit a report on certain points. And inspection was conducted by the Superintending Engineer, R&B I&QC, Kadapa and Superintending Engineer, National Highways, Ananthapur and a status report was submitted.

3. The Superintending Engineer, National Highways, Ananthapur called for an explanation from the contractor on the above. The Contractor gave his reply. The Superintending Engineer, National Highways, Ananthapur in his lr. Dt.28.1.2016 while enclosing the reply of the contractor submitted that agreement was entered into on 30.12.2015 and the reports of the field officials prove the fact that work is carried out before entering into agreement and without involvement of National Highways officials as reported in the district edition of Eenadu dt.2.1.2016. Further even if the claim of the contractor is considered, it is not possible to carry out 7 km of BM and 4 km of BC in 2 days, as 971 m length of BM and 1500 m of BC can be executed in a day with 10 hours of working period. And at this rate it takes about 7 days for carrying out BM and 3 days for carrying out BC and totally it takes 10 days for carrying out the work mentioned above whereas the Contractor is claiming that the work is done in two days. It is evident that the Contractor carried out the work before concluding the agreement and without involvement of officials. The Superintending Engineer, National

Highways, Ananthapur concluded that in view of the above facts, the explanation of the Contractor cannot be accepted.

4. The Engineer-in- Chief, R&B, Admn. & SR was requested to take action as recommended by the Superintending Engineer and later the Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health, A.P. was requested in this regard. The matter was discussed in the (Commissioner of Tenders) COT committee meeting and the committee decided that the Administrative Department will black list the contractor for the subject work, M/s. PLR Projects Pvt. Ltd. Hyderabad. As per G.O.Ms. No.94, I&CAD(PW-COD) Dept dt.1.7.2003.

5. The Chief Engineer, R&B, NH & CRF, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada has further stated that as per 5 (a) & (e) of Annexure II of G. O.Ms. No.94, Irrigation & CAD(PW-COD) Department, dated.1.7.2003, it is observed that the Contractor is guilty of malpractices in doing the work without concluding agreement with the Superintending Engineer, R&B, National Highways Circle, Ananthapur and without informing the concerned field officers. It is established that the Contractor has committed the offence (irregular Practice) to secure advantage to themselves.

6. The Chief Engineer, R&B, NH & CRF, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada has, therefore, recommended to the Government to black list the Contractor M/s. PLR Projects Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad as per the Cl.5 of Annexure II of G. O. Ms. No.94, Irrigation & CAD (PW-COD) Department, dated.01.07.2003.

7. Government after careful examination of the matter and taking into consideration of the recommendations made by the Chief Engineer, R&B, NH & CRF, Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada hereby approve to black list the Contractor M/s. PLR Projects Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad as per the Cl.5 of Annexure II of G.O. Ms. No.94, Irrigation & CAD (PW-COD) Department, dated.01.07.2003 as the contractor is guilty of malpractices in doing the work without concluding agreement with the Superintending Engineer, R&B, National Highways Circle, Ananthapur and without informing the concerned field officers. By and large it is established that the Contractor has committed the offence (irregular Practice) to secure advantage to themselves.

8. The Engineer-in-Chief, R&B, SR & Admn., Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B. SAM BOB
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Chief Engineer, R&B, NH & CRF,Ibrahimpatnam, Vijayawada
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